

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 52 of the First Extraordinary Session  
By DeBerry J

A RESOLUTION to honor J. Keith Haney on the occasion of his retirement.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this legislative body should recognize those citizens who in their years of work have performed with extraordinary dedication and unprecedented devotion; and

WHEREAS, Mr. J. Keith Haney is one such outstanding person who has served with alacrity and acuity for 25 years as an officer with the City of Memphis Police Department; and

WHEREAS, after graduating from Kingsbury High School in 1973, Keith attended the University of Memphis where he studied Criminal Justice; and

WHEREAS, he has also increased his profound wealth of law enforcement knowledge by completing numerous Hostage Negotiation & Crisis Intervention classes and by receiving special law enforcement training and certifications; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Haney's illustrious record of public service with the Memphis Police Department resulted in his promotion to Sergeant in 1989 and to Lieutenant in 1996; and

WHEREAS, as a Lieutenant with the City of Memphis Police Department, Mr. Haney served with distinction in the Traffic Bureau and South Precinct; he was responsible for supervising and training 38 Police Service Technicians in the Traffic Bureau and overseeing a daily tour of duty; he also supervised approximately 40 officers in the South Precinct by developing work schedules, monitoring productivity and preparing evaluations; and

WHEREAS, during his meritorious tenure as Sergeant, Mr. Haney served in the Vice & Organized Crime Bureau and the Auto Theft Bureau; and

WHEREAS, working well under pressure, Mr. Haney served admirably as a Hostage Negotiator for the City of Memphis Police Department from 1987-1998; and

WHEREAS, he was a valued member of the Memphis Police "Peacemakers" for 13 years; and

WHEREAS, he also worked as an investigative officer on numerous federal task forces in cooperation with several federal agencies, including the IRS Criminal Investigative Division, the FBI, the U.S. Secret Service, the U.S. Customs office, the U.S. Marshal's Service and numerous others; and

WHEREAS, while working for the Public Relations/Crime Prevention Bureau of the Memphis Police Department, J. Keith Haney was selected by the department to teach the members of the community about several different safety and survival issues and taught recruits at the Memphis Police Academy; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Haney has been frequently honored for his numerous contributions to his community; he was recognized by the Tennessee General Assembly for his outstanding service in 1998 and was selected as "Officer of the Month" by the Memphis Life Underwriters Association in the Spring of 1991; and

WHEREAS, despite his hectic schedule, Keith has contributed his time and talents to WREC and WMC Radio as an Air Traffic Reporter and to the U.S. Coast Guard Reserves and he has provided personal security for celebrities; and

WHEREAS, Mr. J. Keith Haney retired as a Lieutenant of the City of Memphis Police Department in the fall of 1998; and

WHEREAS, he is most appreciative of the love and support that he receives from his wife, Glenda B. Haney; his three daughters; his son; and his 5 grandsons; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Haney exemplifies the spirit and dedication that is characteristic of a great Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Haney's adroit qualities include the uncommon ability to motivate others to fully realize their potential, perhaps the most valuable of all skills; and

WHEREAS, seldom does a man of J. Keith Haney's eminent stature walk among us, and it is fitting that he should be specially recognized for his life of purpose and his stalwart commitment to ensuring our safety in an orderly society; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we extend to Mr. J. Keith Haney our best wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and continued success in his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.